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Applicant:

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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

June 28, 2005

Sir:

Applicants note with appreciation the allowance of claims 1, 3, 5-8, 12-23, 25-27, 29 and 30 of the above-identified application. It is respectfully noted, however, that the Statement of Reasons for Allowance merely paraphrases, to a substantial extent, the features actually recited in the claims. It is respectfully noted that the claims stand upon their own recitations, and limitations should not be imputed to the claims based upon the Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is requested to contact Robert W. Downs, Reg. No. 48,222, at the telephone number of (703) 205-8000.

Respectfully submitted,

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